COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE ADJUSTMENT OF RATES OF)
AUXIER ROAD GAS COMPANY) CASE NO. 10288-AA

ORDER

On April 10, 1991, in Case Nos. 10288-D and 10288-E, the Commission approved the gas cost adjustment ("GCA") clause of Auxier Road Gas Company, Inc. ("Auxier") allowing for the quarterly adjustment of its rates.

On June 25, 1997, Auxier filed its GCA to be effective July 1, 1997 to October 1, 1997.

After reviewing the record in this case and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that:

- 1. Auxier's notice proposed revised rates designed to pass on to its customers the expected increased gas costs from its suppliers. Auxier's proposed EGC for the quarter beginning July 1, 1997 is \$2.8468 per Mcf.
 - 2. Auxier's notice set out no refund adjustment.
- 3. Auxier's notice set out a current quarter actual adjustment ("AA") of (36.60) cents per Mcf to return over-recovered gas cost from January, Februrary, and March 1997. The total AA of (70.90) cents per Mcf is designed to reflect the current over-collection, as well as over-recoveries from previous periods.

4. Auxier's notice set out a current quarter balance adjustment ("BA") of (.10) cent per Mcf. The total BA of 3.4 cents per Mcf includes reconciling BA adjustments from previous quarters.

5. These adjustments produce a revised gas cost recovery rate of \$2.1718 per Mcf, 20.70 cents per Mcf less than the prior rate.

6. The rate adjustment in the Appendix to this Order is fair, just, and reasonable, in the public interest, and should be effective with service rendered on and after the date of this Order.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The rates in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just, and reasonable and are approved effective for service rendered on and after the date of this Order.

2. Within 30 days of the date of this Order, Auxier shall file with the Commission its revised tariffs setting out the rates authorized herein.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 29th day of July, 1997.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Vice Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

Commodianos

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 10288-AA DATED JULY 29, 1997

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers served by Auxier Road Gas Company, Inc. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under authority of this Commission prior to the effective date of this Order.

RATES:

	Base Rate	Gas Cost Recovery Rate	<u>Total</u>
First Mcf (Minimum Bill)	\$5.11	\$2.1718	\$7.2818
All Over 1 Mcf Per Mcf	4.2599	2.1718	6.4317